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This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2005. Applicants believe that no additional fees are necessary. If any additional fees are required with this communication, Applicants hereby give permission to the Commissioner of Patent and Trademark Office to charge the amount owed to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 08-1290 referencing Attorney Docket No.: MSU-10661.

The amendments presented below are in compliance with the revised amendment format permitted in the Notice from the Office of Patent Legal Administration of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 10, 2003, and published at 1267 OG 106 on February 25, 2003.

Thus, the provisions of 37 CFR 1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for amendments made in this application to the claims. ***Listing of the Claims*** begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 5 of this paper. ***Remarks*** begin on page 8 of this paper.